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Petition for 3-Month Extension of Time

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Sir:

Applicant petitions for a 3-Month Extension of Time in which to respond to the outstanding Office. Action, extending the period for response to March 21, 2001.

- Fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)): \boxtimes Small Entity: \$445.00 \boxtimes A check for \$445.00 covering the above fee is enclosed.
- Applicant petitions for an additional Extension of Time if necessary for timely filing of this petition and enclosures.
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Respectfully submitted,

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